

NEW THIS WEEK @ McMATH

(updated December 21/17)

This weekly document contains new, incoming information only.
For additional information, visit the new Career Centre website at:

<http://sd38careercentre.weebly.com/>

POST-SECONDARY RELATED INFO

UBC Vancouver 'Gateway Programs' for First Year Students

These are four comprehensive one-year programs offered by the UBC Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science. These programs are for students who want to be a part of a small learning community throughout their first year, with contact and support from enthusiastic professors. Students choose the theme they find of interest. Each program is worth a set amount of credits allowing for additional credits of electives. Students go into their second year with all other second-year students, armed with the confidence and skill-set to help students excel.

Click on the links below to learn more about the unique features of these UBC Vancouver 'Gateway Programs' options.

- **Arts One Program** <http://artsone.arts.ubc.ca>
- **Coordinated Arts Program** <http://cap.arts.ubc.ca>
- **Science One Program** <https://scienceone.ubc.ca>
- **Coordinated Science Program** <https://csp.science.ubc.ca>

JAN 17/18 Discover Queen's University 2018: (Vancouver session)

Want to learn more about Queen's?

Queen's University will be holding an evening information session in Vancouver on January 17th, 2018.

Location: Vancouver Public Library, 350 West Georgia Street.

At the session you will learn more about:

- housing and study at Queen's
- admissions
- and meet other students interested in Queen's University from Metro Vancouver

The presentation is from 7-7:30pm followed by a reception until 8:30pm.

To register, visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/discover-queens-2018-vancouver-tickets-41277654576?aff=erelexpmlt>

FEB 11/18 Boarding UAlberta *(Grade 11 Student only) Fly In Event ~ deadline to apply

Boarding UAlberta is your chance to test out one of Canada's top 5 universities! Twenty students will be selected to visit UAlberta's North Campus in Edmonton for the weekend of May 25-27, 2018. The cost of your flight ticket, accommodation and events are covered. For details and to apply online visit: www.UAB.CA/BOARDING

FEB 25/18 Study and Go Abroad Fair Spring 2018 Vancouver

****with the updated website link***

Don't miss Canada's largest international university and student travel expo!

Special features include:

- Top-ranked universities from around the world
- Free seminars starting at 12 noon.
- Event 1:00 - 5:00 pm.
- Student travel organizations
- Grand Prize Draw

Event Location: East Ballroom at Convention Level

Vancouver Convention Centre
999 Canada Place, Vancouver, BC

Attend the fair and find out how you can study or travel abroad. Learn about studying a whole degree program abroad (undergrad or postgrad), or a shorter-term program - find out about admission requirements, program options and scholarships. Discover gap year and other travel options: volunteering, work abroad, internships and language travel.

For details and to register: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/study-and-go-abroad-fair-vancouver-spring-2018-tickets-14906755507>

Vancouver Police Department Information Sessions

Interested applicants for Police Officer, Jail Guard, Community Safety Officer, and Traffic Authority positions are invited to attend an Information Session with our recruiting staff. Come hear a brief overview of policing as a career and what is involved in the VPD's selection process. Pre-registration for an Information Sessions is not required.

2018 Dates:

- January 13
- February 10
- March 10
- April 14
- May 12

- June 9
- July 14
- August 11
- September 8
- October 6
- November 17
- December 8

Information Sessions are held at 10:00 a.m. in the auditorium of the Justice Institute of B.C., Police Academy. JIBC is located at 715 McBride Boulevard in New Westminster.

See: <http://vancouver.ca/police/recruiting/police-officers/information-sessions.html>

University of Regina Employment Guarantee

The UR Guarantee Program supports students through every step of the university experience to successful employment. UR Guarantee students have an advisor that can help with ALL aspects of University life. Newly admitted or transfer students (with 30 credit hours or less of post-secondary classes): if you complete all elements of the UR Guarantee program and do not secure career-related employment within six months of graduation, you will be eligible to return for another year of undergraduate classes free of charge (tuition and course fees). That's the UR Guarantee. For more information, visit:

<https://www.uregina.ca/urguarantee/>

SCHOLARSHIP INFO

Former Youth in Care (British Columbia)

- Tuition Waiver Program
- StudentAid BC
- Ken Dryden Scholarship

Tuition waiver program – Former Youth in Care (British Columbia)

The BC Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training (AEST) in conjunction with the Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) have announced a tuition waiver program for former British Columbia youth in care who wish to attend any public post-secondary school in BC. Students must apply for admission at the school of their choice, self-identify as a former youth in care to that school, and complete a declaration form to be considered for the government tuition waiver program.

Youth in Care Canada: <https://youthincare.ca/british-columbia/>

Resource for Scholarships and Bursaries for Youth in Care as well as a comprehensive list of post-secondary institutions that waive tuition or have reduced tuition for former youth in care.

StudentAid BC – Youth Educational Assistance Fund for Former Youth in Care

This program provides grants of up to \$5,500 per program year to former B.C. youth in care students between 19 and 24 years of age. Students may receive a maximum of four grants. See the website for details: https://studentaidbc.ca/explore/grants-scholarships/youth-educational-assistance-fund-former-youth-care#Am_I_eligible?

Ken Dryden Scholarship

This scholarship is named after the man who got it started and who is determined to keep it going: Ken Dryden, author, consultant on education, child and youth issues, lawyer, former NHL hockey star, and past President of the Toronto Maple Leafs hockey club. Youth in Care Canada has administered this scholarship program in partnership with Ken Dryden since 1995. Each scholarship covers up to \$3,000 or 80% of the cost of tuition and fees, whichever is less, and is renewable annually, based on reasonable progress toward the completion of a first undergraduate degree, diploma or certificate from an accredited publicly funded post-secondary education institution. As a young person in/from care, all you need do is apply. As a child welfare worker, foster parent or friend, please tell any eligible young person of this scholarship opportunity, and offer your help. <https://youthincare.ca/ken-dryden-scholarship/> The application opens in January 2018.

Retail as a Career Scholarship 2018

There are 20 scholarships available – one \$5000 Interac Scholarship, one \$3000 Canadian Retail Hall of Fame Scholarship and eighteen \$1000 Industry-Sponsored Scholarships.

2018 Retail as a Career Scholarship winners will receive:

- Financial assistance for their post-secondary education
 - Hotel and travel expenses to come to Toronto on May 29 & 30 to attend STORE - Canada's BIGGEST Retail Conference - and the Excellence in Retailing Awards Gala
- This scholarship program is for students who are enrolled in or applying to retail, business, marketing or any other program that have ties to the retail industry post-secondary programs in September 2018. To be considered for one of the scholarships applicants must meet the following criteria:
- Enrolled full-time or part-time at a Canadian college or university Fall 2018
 - Pursuing a retail, business, fashion, marketing or any other program of study that has ties to the retail industry post secondary program
 - Currently working part-time or full-time within the retail industry

The application website will open on January 15, 2018. For more information, visit:

<https://www.retailcouncil.org/memberservices/retail-education/retail-as-a-career-scholarship-program>

MAR 28/18 WorksafeBC Student Safety Video Contest 2018

This year's contest theme, "Listen to your gut," challenges students to create a video (maximum two minutes) that explores the topic of how trusting your instincts can help keep you safe at work. We've all heard that voice — the one that says, "This seems dangerous. I should probably stop what I'm doing and tell someone." Ignoring that voice could have life-changing consequences. Remember: you have a

responsibility for safety, too. Listen to your gut — in other words, trust your instincts and talk to your manager or supervisor if you feel or see something is unsafe at work. Think of a creative way to get your message across in your video. All styles of video are accepted: drama, comedy, documentary, music video, stop-motion, Claymation, animation — the choice is yours! Check out the winning videos from 2006 to 2017. The contest is open to B.C. students in grades 8 to 12 who have a teacher sponsor. There's one category for students in grades 8 to 10 and one for students in grades 11 to 12. There's over \$10,000 in prize money for students and schools. Entries will be judged on the impact of their safety message, original creative concept, and technical execution. The top entry will also advance to the national Focus on Safety Youth Video Contest to compete for additional prizes. Don't want to make a video but still want to participate? You can participate by viewing and rating your favourite videos. Check worksafebc.com regularly to see new videos as they are posted. Deadline for submissions is Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at 5 p.m. For more details, see the contest rules and the entry form at: <https://www.worksafebc.com/en/health-safety/education-training-certification/young-new-worker/student-safety-video-contest>

MAR 31/18 Historica Canada Indigenous Arts and Stories Contest

The contest is open to Canadians of Indigenous ancestry (self-identified Status, Non-Status, Inuit and Métis) between the ages of 9 and 29. Create a writing or art piece that explores Indigenous heritage or culture. Your entry into the Aboriginal Arts & Stories competition must include a 200-400 word artist's or author's statement that includes a few words about you and explains how your piece explores Indigenous heritage and culture. You may enter online with your desktop computer, or by mail. See the website for details:

[http://www.our-story.ca/docs/Indigenous Arts and Stories Rules and Regulations.pdf](http://www.our-story.ca/docs/Indigenous%20Arts%20and%20Stories%20Rules%20and%20Regulations.pdf)

APR 6/18 Law Society of BC ~ Essay Contest 2018

The Law Society of BC invites BC secondary student to participate in its 3rd annual rule of law essay contest. All BC Grade 12 students and any secondary school students who have taken, or are currently enrolled in Law 12 or Civic Studies 11, may submit an essay on the following topic: ***How does social media interact with the rule of law?*** The winning entry will be awarded a \$1,000 prize, and the runner up will receive a \$500 prize. The first place winner and runner up will be invited to an awards presentation event at the Law Society in Vancouver. Deadline for submissions is April 6, 2018. For more information, visit:

<https://www.lawsociety.bc.ca/our-initiatives/rule-of-law-and-lawyer-independence/secondary-school-essay-contest/>

OTHER PERTINENT INFO

FEB 24/18 – ‘Soldier For A Day’ information session

Please note - this is not a school-sponsored event.

The Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) Reserve is inviting students who are considering a career in the Canadian Armed Forces or have a strong interest in the role of the army for a “Soldier For A Day” structured information session at the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada regiment in Vancouver on Feb 24, 2018, Saturday, from 10AM to 3PM.

This is an opportunity to see what the military does and what is available in the Lower Mainland. Pre-registration is required in order to attend.

Participants for this session are:

- Canadian citizens
- Completion of Grade 10
- 16 years old or older

To register and for further information, please email patrick.madderom@forces.gc.ca

Have a safe and Happy Holiday!!!